### N**\***VA NIGHTSKY THEATER

**PRESENTS** 

# Alam Ayckbourn's



Directed By Ward Kay

FEBRUARY 1ST-3RD, 9TH-10TH, & 15TH-17TH FALLS CHURCH, VA

## DIRECTOR'S NOTE

"Table Manners" is one play in a trilogy of plays under the title "The Norman Conquests." Each play takes play in a different area of an English country house on the same weekend in July, sometimes simultaneously.

"Round and Round the Garden" takes place in the garden while "Living Together" is set in the living room. When performed on Broadway or the West End, the three plays are performed in repertoire with the same cast. The plays are 50 years old, first playing London in 1974 and then Broadway in 1975. A Broadway revival in 2009 won a Tony for best revival.

The Norman Conquests inspired me as a playwright. My play "Leaving Bedrooms" has an opening scene that takes place in a different room during the first act of my play "Mr. Taken."

"Table Manners" was written as a modern comedy, but we are presenting as a period piece. The attitudes of some of the characters reflect 1974 values, not current ones. As do the costumes!

Enjoy!

-WARD KAY

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## "For goodness sake. For once in a family, let's try and have a good meal." -Sarah

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#### SETTING

TIME: JULY 1974

PLACE: THE DINING ROOM OF AN ENGLISH COUNTRY HOUSE

ACT 1 SCENE 1: SATURDAY 6 PM ACT 1 SCENE 2: SUNDAY 9 AM ACT 2 SCENE 1: SUNDAY 7 PM ACT 2 SCENE 2: MONDAY 8 AM

#### **FEATURING**

NORMAN HANLON SMITH-DORSEY

ANNIE ELYSE R. SMITH

SARAH APRIL EVERETT

REG CHRIS D'ANGELO

TOM JESPER SULLIVAN DEN BERGH

RUTH LAUREN MORRELL

## NOVA NIGHTSKY LEADERSHIP

Artistic Director
WARD KAY

Producing Director JACLYN ROBERTSON

Administrative
Director
SARAH BAC7FWSKI

Design & Technical
Director
ADAM RESSA

## **TECH & CREATIVE TEAM**

STAGE MANAGER Sarah Baczewski

SOUND DESIGN Ward Kay & Adam Ressa

LIGHTING DESIGN Adam Ressa

BOARD OPERATOR Holly Landis

STAGE CREW Olivia Roland

#### Special Thanks to:

DIANE COBB FOR DINING SET

KATHLEEN RAKESTRAW KAY FOR SET DECOR/PROPS (INCLUDING THE ONE FROM YOUR BEDROOM!)

THE GOODRICH FAMILY FROM "UNEXPECTED STAGE" FOR PLATFORMS AND CURTAINS

OUR LOVED ONES FOR ALLOWING US TO PLAY! WE WILL BE BACK AT THE DINNER TABLE SOON.

